HC slams 'Frivolous Litigation', restores JDA's Stand on Bahu Land

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STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The High Court. of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh has set aside an order of the 1st Additional District Judge, Jammu, which had directed status quo in a protracted land dispute between the Jammu Authority Development (JDA)and private claimants. Terming the repeated litigation by the petitioners as a "gross abuse of process of law", the Court upheld the earlier trial court order in favour of the JDA.

Justice Sanjay Dhar, while pronouncing judgment, observed that the plaintiffs had engaged in repeated and frivolous attempts to secure interim relief against the JDA over 21 kanals of land situated at Rakh Bahu, Jammu. The Court held that the appellate court had erred in reversing the trial court's findings, despite the issue having already been settled up to the High Court in earlier rounds of litigation.

The case was argued on behalf of the JDA by advocates Sachin Dogra and Rahul Parihar, while the respondents were represented by advocate D.S. Saini.

The controversy relates to a civil suit filed by Saminder Singh and others, who claimed possession of land at Rakh Bahu on the basis of alleged mutation entries under the now-scrapped J&K State Land (Vesting of Ownership to Occupants) Act. 2001. The JDA, however, maintained that the land formed part of 655 kanals transferred to it by the government, on which commercial structures had already been built. The petitioners, according to the JDA, had tampered with documents to

and writ petitions which were dismissed at various stages. In 2023 and again in 2024, both the trial court and the High Court had refused them interim relief. Despite these findings, the

earlier filed multiple suits

1st Additional District Judge, Jammu, in July 2025 allowed an appeal and directed parties to maintain status quo. This prompted the JDA to approach the High Court. Justice Dhar found that the appellate court had "fallen prey to the mischievous mechanization and litigious attitude of the plaintiffs" by reopening an already settled issue. "The present proceedings are the third attempt on the part of the plaintiffs to seek an interim injunction against the defendant in respect of the same land on the same facts and material," the judgment noted, adding that such repeated litigation cannot be permitted.

The High Court also found fault with the appellate court's reliance on a mutation attested in favour of the plaintiffs. Referring to a revenue report that termed the entry as forged and non-existent in the official register, the Court ruled that a "mutation which is non-est in the eyes of law cannot form the

basis of a prima facie case." Dhar Justice Supreme Court precedents to emphasise that principles of res judicata apply not only but also at subsequent stages of the same proceedings. "No one should be made to face the same kind of litigation twice over," the Court observed, restoring the trial court's order of March 2025 which had rejected the plainstake a false claim and had tiffs' plea for interim relief.

DB reduces sentence in child rape case, fine enhanced

STATE TIMES NEWS

The High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh has upheld the conviction of Sanjay Kumar for raping an eight-year-old girl in Akhnoor in 2012, but modified his punishment by reducing the jail term from 12 years to 10 years rigorous imprisonment, while enhancing the fine from Rs 50,000 to Rs 1 lakh.

A Division Bench comprising Justice Sanjeev and Justice Kumar Sanjay Parihar dismissed the convict's appeal against the trial court's verdict but granted partial relief in sentencing. The Court noted mitigatcircumstances, including the prolonged trial period and the convict's subsequent marriage, while maintaining that the gravity of the crime could not be

ignored. According to the prosecution, on June 22, 2012, the child was returning home after fetching buttermilk when Kumar intercepted her, offered a bubble gum, and forcibly took her into nearby bushes, where he raped her. Her cries alerted her mother, who found her in a distressed condition. Medical examination con-

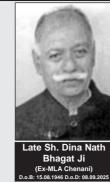
firmed sexual assault

The trial court in 2014 had sentenced Kumar to 12 years rigorous imprisonment under Section 376 RPC and one month imprisonment under Section 341 RPC, along with a fine of ?50,000. Upholding the conviction, the High Court reduced the jail term but directed that 90,000 from enhanced fine be paid as compensation to the vic-

Rejecting the defence claim of false implication due to a family land dispute, the bench held that the victim's consistent testimony, corroborated by medical evidence, left no room for doubt. "Even the slightest penetration is sufficient to constitute rape under law," the Court observed, affirming

the conviction. The convict has been directed to surrender before the trial court to serve the modified sentence.

TENTH DAY



With profound grief & sorrow, the family of Late Sh. Dina Nath Bhagat Ji Retired Range Officer & Ex-MLA Chenani, who left for heavenly abode on 08 09-2025, informs that the Tenth Day shall be performed on 16-09-2025 (Tuesday) at Pine Villa Guest House, Udhampu

The Program will commence with a SATSANG from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, folowed by **UTHALA** at 1:00 PM.

THE BEREAVED FAMILY: Mrs. Sudershana Devi (Wife

Sons & Daughters-in-law

Mr. & Mrs. Rajinder Kumar (Bajaj Dealers, Udhampur) Mr. & Mrs. Vinod Kumar (Bajaj Dealers, Udhampur)

Mr. & Mrs. Naresh Kumar (Advocate) Daughters & Sons-in-law

Chander Kanta W/o Bodh Raj (Chief Engineer)

Madhu Bhagat W/o Sh. Lal Chand (Deputy Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation Contact Numbers: 94691 57742 | 94192 16667 | 94192 64323 GRIEF-STRICKEN FAMILY HUMBLY INVITE ALL RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AND WELL-WISHERS TO JOIN IN THE LAST PRAYERS

|KRIYA/UTHALA/RASAM PAGRI

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved Sh Sunil Kumar (Billa) R/o H No. 70 Rampura near Durga Mandir Gandhi Nagar Jammu on 04th September 2025 (Thursday)

Kriya will be performed on 16 September 2025, 12 noon at our residence H No. 70 Rampura Gandhi Nagar Jammu.

Uthala will be performed on 22nd September 2025 at Durga Mandir Rampura Gandhi Nagar Jammu from 04:00 pm to 05:00 pm.

Rasam Pagri will be performed on 22nd September at 04:00 PM at Durga Mandir Rampura Gandhi Nagar Jammu. **GRIEF STRICKEN:**

Smt Geeta Gupta (Wife)

Daughters & Sons in law

Mrs Shilpa & Mr Guneek Gupta Mrs Mehak Gupta and Mr Sahil Mahajan

Mr Bhavya Gupta (Son) Mrs Ambika Mahajan (Daughter)

Ms Sargun Gupta (Grand Daughter)

MAHAJAN VEGETABLE SHOP, SADAR BAZAR SATWARI CANTT MOB: 9622137375, 9149770181

13TH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved father Sh. Udhey Bir Singh Jamwal (Distt. and Sessions Judge Retd) S/o Late Th. Bhagat Singh Resident of House No.76, Lane No.8, Upper Laxmi Nagar, Sarwal Jammu (Jagti wale), who left for heavenly abode on 4th September 2025. 13th Day Kriva will be performed on 16th September 2025, Tuesday at 12 PM at our Residence (Sarwal) GRIEF STRICKEN:



Sh Sunil Kumar

Sh. Udhey Bir Singh Jamwa

Sh Baldev Rai

Dogra

Smt. Tripta Devi

Smt. Asha Devi -(Wife)

Daughter in laws & Sons:

Smt. Radha Jamwal & Sh. Rakesh Singh Jamwal Smt. Pooja Jamwal & Sh. Dinesh Singh Jamwal

Daughter & Son-in-law

Smt. Nisha Singh & Late Sh. Y.P Singh **Granddaughters & Grandsons**

Mrs Sonali Samval & Mr. Raijy Gard

Mrs Tanvi Jamwal & Mr. Sahil Bhalwal Mrs. Apeksha Samval & Mr. Tara Dutt

Mrs. Manvi Jamwal & Mr. Padam Dev Singh Manhas

Ms. Aishnava Jamwal

Mr. Soham Singh Jamwa

Great-GrandChildren:

Mobile No: 9419220390, 9419142148, 9906369778

10th DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of our beloved father Sh Baldev Raj Dogra, S/o Lt Sh Des Raj Pangotra, who left us for his heavenly abode on 7th September, 2025.

TENTH DAY CEREMONY, will be performed at our residence H No. 793, Street No. 7 Talab Tillo Jammu on Tuesday 16th Sept, 2025 at

KRIYA will be held on 17th September, 2025 at our residence

GRIEF STRICKEN:-

Smt Chandrakanta W/o Lt Sh K D Sharma (Brother and Sister in law)

Sh Sita Ram Pangotra and Smt Darshana

(Brother and Sister in law) Sh Radhya Shyam Sharma and Smt Sheela

(Son and Daughter in law)

Davinder and Meenakshi Dogra (Son and Daughter in law)

Rajinder and Sonia Dogra (Daughter and Son in law)

Seema and Arun Sharma GRAND CHILDREN: Saniya, Karan, Uttkarsh, Bhavya, Arunina

Aahana, Chaitanya Ph No. 9858506670, 9797548635, 9596862102

TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of our beloved Smt. Tripta Devi W/o Lt. Sh. Harday Nath Bhat on 10 September 2025, original resident of Wachi (Pulwama) presently at TRT Camp block D, Qtr No.1 Nagrota

Tenth Day Kriva will be performed on 19 September 2025 (Friday) at TRT Ghat/Community Hall Nagrota at 10:00 am.

GRIEF STRICKEN (Husband)

Lt. Sh. Harday Nath Bhat (Daughter & Son-in-Law) Eitika Sharma & Roshan Sharma (Sister-in-law & Brother-in-law)

Smt. & Sh. Sham Sunder Bhat (Brother-in-law) Satish Kumar

(Sister-in-law & Brother-in-law) Lt Smt. & Sh. Daleep Kumar Bhat (Sister-in-law and Brother-in-law) Smt.& Lt. Sh. M.L Raina

(Sister-in-law and Brother-in-law) Smt. & Sh. M.K Malla (Sister-in-law and Brother-in-law)

Smt. & Lt. Sh. M.L. Bhat

10th DAY/KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of Sh Ashok Kumar Handoo S/o Late Sh Som Nath Handoo R/o L No. 1, H No. 6 Adarsh Nagar Barnai Bantalab, Jammu who left for heavenly abode on 8th Sept 2025 (Monday).

10th Day will be performed on 17th Sept 2025 (Wednesday) at Muthi Ghat near Director of School Education from 10:00 am to 11:00 am

KRIYA will be performed on 18th Sept. 2025 (Thursday) at our residence, Lane-1, H.No. 6

GRIEF STRCKEN Smt Raj Kumari (Wife)

Adarsh Nagar Bantalab at 01 PM.

Mr Ishwar Deep (Son)

Mr Ankush & Naina (Son in law & Daughter) Contact No. 9103574260, 9596183755

TENTH DAY

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform sad demise of our beloved mother Smt Sudershan Kumari W/o Lt Sh Vaishno Parkash

Hospital Samba who left for heavenly abode on 07-09-2025. Tenth Day will be performed on

Puri R/o Ward No. 4 near District

16-09-2025 (Tuesday) at our residence from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

GRIEF STRICKEN (Daughter-in-Law & Son)

Smt Jyotsna & Raj Kumar Puri

(Daughter-in-Law & Son)

Smt Sapna & Sanjeev Puri (Daughter-in-Law & Son) Smt Dipika & Rajeev Puri

(Daughter & Son-in-Law)

Smt Anita & Shiv Abrol Contact No:-

8082071551, 9796499123, 8800772437, 9419234071

TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved Sh. Hirdey Nath Koul (Bada Boba) [Fmr. Principal, Islamia High School, Srinagar] S/o Lt. Sh. Tara Chand Koul originally resident of Banamohalla, Habbakadal, Srinagar on 10/9/2025. 10th Day Kriya will be performed at Chhoti

Ganga, Murad Nagar Ghat, Ghaziabad on 19th Sept. 2025 (Friday) at 08:00 AM. All near and dear ones are requested to convene at C-92C. IF Rajat Vihar, Sector-62, Noida. GRIEF STRICKEN



Lt. Rai Nath Koul & Smt. Babli Koul

Lt. Avtar Krishen Koul & Smt. Sulakshna Koul Sh. Hira Lal Koul & Smt. Sudha Koul

Smt. Usha Koul & Sh. Ashok Kumar Koul (Daughter & Son-in-law) Grand Children

Col. Chintan & Mrs Meenakshi Koul Nikhil & Shifali Koul

Neha & Chaitanya Razdan Aranga & Ashish Koul

Kartik Koul, Sukriti Koul, Ankit Koul, Akansha Koul, Upasna Koul

CONTACT NOS:- 8600253974, 7085054063, 9810580799

TENTH DAY/KRIYA

With profound grief & sorrow we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved Mr Nitin Sharma (Munna) S/o Late Sh Nand Kishore Sharma R/o D C Colony Bhagwati Nagar (opp. Yatri Niwas), Jammu who left for heavenly abode on 7th Sept, 2025 (Sunday)

Tenth Day will be performed on 16th Sept, 2025 (Tuesday) at our residence D C Colony Kriya will be performed on 17th Sept 2025 (Wednesday) at our residence D C Colony Bhagwati Nagar (opp. Yatri Niwas) Jammu at



Smt Veena Devi (Wd/o Sh Nand Kishore Sharma) Nitish Sharma - Brother Nidhi & Vivek Manhas -Sister & Brother-in-law ALL VAID & PATARE FAMILY

TENTH DAY

CONTACT NO. 6005602711, 9858526670

With profound grief & sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved Sh. M.L Gandotra S/o Lt Sh. K.L Gandotra R/o 27 B/D, Gandhi Nagar Jammu who left for heavenly abode on 7th Sept 2025. 10th Day will be performed on 16th Sept 2025

(Tuesday) at 11.00 am at our residence. GRIEF STRICKEN Son & Daughter in Law

Sh. Saniay Gandotra & Smt Mala Gandotra Daughters & Son In Law Smt Reena Kohli W/o Lt Dr. Arun Kohli Smt Ranju Nanda & Dr Rajan Nanda

Samdhi Smt Neelam Mengi W/o Lt Sh. G.L Mengi Brother in Law & Sister-in-Law

Sh Kamal Kapai & Smt Nishi Kapai Sh. Rajan Kapai & Smt Kusum Kapai Sh. J.C Abrol & Smt Neelam Abrol Smt Monica Kapai W/o Lt Sh. Satish Kapai

Brother & Sister in Law

Sh. C.L Gandotra & Smt Vijay Gandotra Smt Meena Gandotra W/o Lt Sh. Purshotam Gandotra Sister & Brother in Law

Smt Kailash Satti & Sh. Dharamvir Satti Grand Children

Srikar & Shreya, Ravinth, Raheel & Hancy, Ritika & Praveen, Rohan

TENTH DAY

With great profound sorrow and grief we inform that **Sh. A. K. Bhat** S/o Lt. Sh. M. N. Bhat originally R/o Khrew District Pulwama at present H. No. 49, Lane No. 2 Shanti Puram Lower Roop Nagar, Muthi Jammu (BSNL Exchange Lane) left for heavenly abode on 12th

10th Day will be performed on 21th September, 2025 Sunday) at Akhnoo GRIEF STRICKEN: (Son & Daughter-in-law)

Ranku Bhat & Vanuka Bhat

(Daughter & Son-in-law)

Irmilla Gurtoo & Rajesh Gurtoo Urveshi & Navendu (Grand Children) ontact No. +91 94191 92931 +91 78899 60677 +91 94191 41573



Sh Ashok Kumar Handoo

Smt Sudershan

(Bada Boba)

Mr Nitin Sharma

(Munna)

Sh. A. K. Bhat

TENTH DAY KRIYA With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of Smt. Guga Jan beloved Wife of Sh. Shiban Krishen Jan (Ex SBI) from Habba Kadal, Kashmir, presently residing at 150 R/A, Model Town, Karnal who left for her heavenly abode on 07-09-2025

Tenth Day Kriya shall be performed on 16th Sept. 2025 (Tuesday) at Ghat opposite Surva Temple (2999, Karnal - Sitamai Rd, Ram

Nagar, Karnal, Haryana 132001) at 8:00 am.

Smt. Amrita & Sh. Nitin Mirza - Daughter & Son -in-law Along with Lans Bhans Mirzas Dhars Kouls Kaws Trisals Rainas

Contact Numbers: 941605250, 9654657940, 9958991521

Nith profound grief and sorrow we inform all that Karamyogini Smt Chand Rani (Pyaree) W/o Late Sh Dina Nath Bhat of Flat No.16, Lane 11. Block- 58, Jagti Township, original resident of Wangam, Shangus, Anantnag, Kashmir presentat Shiv Vihar, near Telephone exchange, Frilokpur, Gol Gujral Jammu left for heavenly

Her Tenth Day Kriya will be performed on 18th September, 2025 (Thursday) at Akhnoor Ghat. Assembly will be held at Lane No. 1 Shiv Vihar, Chand Rani (Pyaree)

Trilokpur, Gol Gujral, Jammu. GRIEF STRICKEN:-

Sh. Peyaray Lal Bhat and Usha Bhat (Son & Daughter-in-law) Sh Sudesh Kumar Bhat and Nirmala Bhat

(Son & Daughter-in-law) Sh. Pran Nath Bhat and Pinky Ji Bhat

(Son & Daughter-in-law) Sh. Bittoo Ji Bhat and Suman Bhat

(Son & Daughter-in-law) Grand children:-

Aishi, Aarna & Anshu. Phone nos.:- 8899911284, 7889443624, 7006131577

13TH DAY / RASAM PAGRI / **UTHALA** With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved Mother Smt. Pramila Devi

Jammu who left us for her heavenly abode or 13th Day will be performed on 17th September 2025

Rasam Pagri/Uthala will be performed on 22nd

September 2025 (Monday) at 01:00 pm at our resilence, Sainik Colony, Jammu.

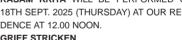
Smt. Radha Devi & Sh. Surat Singh Bhadwal - Devrani & Devar Sister-in-Law & Brother–in-Law

Daughter & Son-in-Law

Daughter & Son-in-Law Smt. Anjoo & Sh. Ajay Singh Slathia Contact: 9796021090, 9419208515

WITH PROFOUND GRIEF & SORROW, WE INFORM THE SAD DEMISE OF OUR BELOVED SH KARAN SINGH CHIB AGE 74 YEARS R/O H.NO. 353 LANE NO. 4, LAXMI VIHAR TOMAL ANAND NAGAR BOHRI JAMMU

ON 6-9-2025 RASAM KRIYA WILL BE PERFORMED ON



Kamla Devi -Wife Sons & Daughters-in-law Avtar Singh & Shivani Rajput

Shakti Singh & Deepika Rajput Jyoti Devi & Surjeet Singh Bhau -Daughter & Son-in-law

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sudden demise of our beloved Sh. Surinder Gupta S/o Late Sh Charan Dass Gupta R/o-H.No 574, Sector C, Sainik Colony, Jammu, who left for heavenly abode on 04 Sept 2025

(Thursday) Kriya (13th Day) will be held on 16 Sept 2025 at our residence at 12 pm

GRIEF STRICKEN:-Smt Neena Gupta (Wife)

Sh Rajiv Gupta (Son) Smt Ruchi Gupta & Sh Mohit Gupta (Daughter & Son in law)

Sh Narinder & Smt Rajni Gupta (Brother & Sister in law) Sh Varinder & Smt Anu Gupta (Brother & Sister in law) All Gupta Parivar and Near & Dear

Hno- 574, sector C, Sainik colony, Jammu, J&K Contact details:- 9906212304/9086089123

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform all of

September 2025, 11 AM onwards at H No. 99, Lane 9. Ward 3, Shivpora, Srinagar, J&K.

GRIEF STRICKEN KAUL'S (DULLO) Rainawari KAUL'S (OUNTS) Barbarshah 9419024727, 979752222





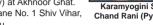
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GRIEF STRICKEN: Smt. Jharna & Sh. Akshy Jan - Daughter-in-law & Son Grand Children: Mohi, Jeshan, Naman, Nia

Smt. Guga Jan

TENTH DAY KRIYA abode on 09/09/2025.





Ashu. Anchal, Nittin, Simran, Khushi, Khushbu, Rohit, Rithik

W/o Lt. Sh. Khajoor Singh Bhadwal (Retd. DySP CRPF) Kohagwale (Billawar) R/o 295-E Sainik Colony,

Wednesday) at 01:00 pm at our residence, Sainik

GRIEF STRICKEN Smt. Pushpa Devi & Lt. Sh. Swarn Singh Bhadwal - Devrani & Devar

Lt. Smt. Rani Devi & Sh. Qabla Singh Narania Daughter-in-Law & Son Lt. Smt. Manju & Sh. Randhir Singh Bhadwal (Retd. Inspector CRPF) Smt. Anita & Sh. Rakesh Singh Bhadwal - Daughter-in-Law & Son

Lt. Smt. Sudesh Sambval & Sh. Azad Singh Sambval Lt. Smt. Nirmala Devi & Sh. Rattan Singh Narania

RASAM KRIYA

18TH SEPT. 2025 (THURSDAY) AT OUR RESI-

GRIEF STRICKEN



SH KARAN SINGH

KRIYA



Smt Prakasho Devi (Mother) Sh. Rajinder & Smt Rita Gupta (Brother & Sister in law)

Residence:-

TENTH DAY KRIYA

the sad demise of our beloved father Sh Pushkar Nath Kaul (S/o Sh Sridhar Kaul Dullo) who left for his heavenly abode on 8 September, 2025. Tenth Day Kriya shall be performed on 17th



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